

# FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR PROGRAM

2008–2009

*Visiting Specialists Program*

## Fulbright Visiting Specialists Program: Direct Access to the Muslim World

***Application Deadline for U.S. Higher Educational Institutions is May 1, 2007***

### Overview

Opportunity to bring a Fulbright Visiting Specialist from the Muslim world to your college or university for an intensive, three- to six-week program of teaching, lecturing and public outreach. Approximately 20 grants will be awarded for the 2008 calendar year.

### Purpose

To help your institution enrich student, faculty and community understanding of Islamic civilization and today's Muslim world while increasing the Fulbright Visiting Specialist's understanding of U.S. society and values.

### Program Activities

Teaching, lecturing, leading seminars, conducting workshops, consulting on curricula and programs, institutional relationship building, and community outreach.

#### Examples of Fulbright Visiting Specialists Activities

**On-campus:** Teaching short courses on special topics in Islamic civilization or the history, politics, culture, economics or arts of the Muslim World; guest lecturing in existing classes; participating in interviews with campus media; leading discussion and book groups; speaking to student organizations; developing collaborative relationships

**In the community:** Participating in interviews with print and broadcast media; guest lecturing at K-12 schools; engaging in interfaith dialogue; presenting to civic groups; working with library programs

*The Fulbright Visiting Specialists Program does not support individual research projects or teaching of languages.*

### Institutions Eligible to Host a Fulbright Visiting Specialist

U.S. liberal arts institutions, minority-serving institutions and community colleges that have limited or no current programs on the Muslim world are encouraged to apply. Institutions with established programs that could benefit from the expertise of a Fulbright Visiting Specialist in a particular subject are also eligible.



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## Examples of Institutions Hosting Fulbright Visiting Specialists

**Kansas City Community College, KS** hosted a Fulbright Visiting Specialist from Indonesia who delivered lectures on Islam and democracy, lead a seminar on working together with a Muslim work force and was the featured speaker at a town hall meeting.

**Samford University, AL** hosted a Fulbright Visiting Specialist from Tunisia who lectured on the role of women in Islam. She also participated in interfaith dialogue and engaged Americans from all sectors of society.

**North Carolina A&T State University, NC** hosted a Fulbright Visiting Specialist from Morocco who taught classes on Middle East history and culture while learning about the role of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in U.S. higher education.

## Individuals Eligible to Participate in the Fulbright Visiting Specialists Program

University faculty or professionals who hold Ph.D.s or terminal degrees and who teach, lecture and publish in their home countries or locales and who have demonstrated proficiency in English.

### Academic fields for Fulbright Visiting Specialists include:

area studies	economics	Islamic civilization and studies	religion
arts	history	law	sociology
business	journalism	literature	women's studies
communications	international relations	political science	

## Regions/Countries/Locales From Which Visiting Specialists Are Invited

Africa	Near East and North Africa			South and Central Asia		East Asia	Europe
Cote d'Ivoire	Algeria	Kuwait	Saudi Arabia	Afghanistan	Nepal	Indonesia	Albania
Kenya	Bahrain	Lebanon	Syria	Bangladesh	Pakistan	Malaysia	Azerbaijan
Mali	Egypt	Libya	Tunisia	India	Sri Lanka	Philippines	Bosnia-
Mozambique	Gaza	Morocco	United Arab	Kazakhstan	Tajikistan	Singapore	Herzegovina
Nigeria	Iraq	Oman	Emirates	Kyrgyz Republic	Turkmenistan	Thailand	Kosovo
Senegal	Israel	Qatar	West Bank	Maldives	Uzbekistan		Turkey
Sudan	Jordan	Yemen					
Tanzania							

## Program Duration and Dates

Between three and six weeks in the 2008 calendar year (spring '08 and fall '08 semesters).

## Financial Support

Fulbright grants will cover air travel, pro-rated per diem and an honorarium paid to the Visiting Specialist. Host institutions proposing some cost-sharing, such as housing, meal plan and/or book allowance, will be given preference. Institutional overhead is not provided.

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